### DEFENDS HIS RACE.

### Wu Ting Fang Speaks a Word for China and Her People

Wu Ting Fang, Chinese minister to the United States, delivered the convocation address of the University of Chicago at the Studebaker Theater in Chicago on the afternoon of the 19th before the faculty of the institution and an audience that packed the theatre to the doors. Mr. Wu took for his subject, "Chinese Civilization." His defense of the civilization of his nativecountry, in his comparisons with that of the civilization of the O.cident. was much applauded. In beginning his address. Mr. Wu said China had been to other nations like the recluse community in the heart of a mountain. as told by a Chinese writer of 1,500 years ago, a community that, fleeing from the persecutions of the Chinese dynasty, had found peace and tranquility, and, content with their lot, had no desire to emerge into the t moil and excitement of a more active life.

This mountain community may be said to be China, in minature," Mr. Wu continued. 'To her issolation she undoubtedly owes her long freedom from foreign domination. Foreign influence, indeed, has had very little to do with the national development of China. Before the nineteenth century, the only possible foreign enemies she had to neet were the nomads of the Mongolian plateau, who occasionally made sudden incur: ions upon the settlements along the northern frontier, and pirates from the Malaysian Islands, who sometimes spread terror along the seacoast by their ravages. These warlike encounters, fortunately, were not very frequent.

"Far from the conflicts and strifes of the West, the Chinese have been able to give, through the past centuries, almost their exclusive attention to internal development. They have their destiny without foreign interference.

"Nature has blessed the country with every variety of soil and climate. so that the people have never been the supply of their wants. They have been able to live within themselves without difficulty, and to get along without having anything to do with the outside nations. Their long seclusion has been not only a matter of necessity, but also a matter of choice.

"True it is that China's issolution has served to strengthen the nation's character and given it a marked individuality, but this has not been gained without great losses. The most serious is that the nation has not been able to profit by the trials, experiences and achievements of the rest of the world. This is especially true with scientific knowledge and mechanical inventions. It must be admitted that to-day China is centuries behind the age in her knowedge of chemistry. electricity, steam navigation, rapid transit and other arts and sciences. All these things she must learn from the civilization of China instead of put herself abreast of the times.

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and one things which are often regard. They will find that China, old as she ed as necessary for a progressive nation? This would be a very narrow vigor of full maturity. They will find interpretation of the word. Civiliza- that the civilization that has stood the tion has, I believe, a broader meaning, with intelligence, order morality ing effete. They will find that the and refinement for its essential elements. Such a civilization China undoubtedly has -a civilization different, to be sure, from that of the West, but a civilization, pevertheless. In other words, civilization is the elevation a nation has reached in its progress tion as she can assimilate. from a lower to a higher state of society. It is to be expected that the civilization attained by China should march of progress. To this end, it is be different from that attained by the nations of the West. Chinese ways are not necessarily bad because they be a servile imitator. Her requireoften seem strange to Western eyes, ments are peculiar to her position It is merely a question whether one is accustomed to them or not.

"The Chinaman is the principal type of Oriental civilization. He is phlegmatic and sluggish. Time is no object with him. He takes things as they come and never seems to be in a hurry. How different is the American, the highest type of Occidental civilization. acter which have made her great and He is nervous and energetic. He acts on the principle that time is money. and accordingly is impatient of restraint and always on a rush. When the old Oriental civilization meets the new Occidental civilization, it s to be expected that there will be a clash. Which will have to give way to the other is by no means certain; for the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong.

There has lately been a great deal of newspaper talk about civilizing thina. I give credit to those people who advocate such a course for their good intention, but its desirability, to say nothing of its difficulty, should not be overlooked. China has already a civilization of her own. It is the growth of time. Long before the ancestors of the people of the Westceased accordingly solved their political prob- to, be naked savages and emerged lems in their own way and worked out from the primeval forests of Central Europe, the Chinese had already known the use of the compass and the art of printing. Now, for the people of the West to turn around and then ask the Chinese to put away their old obliged to look to offer countries for civilization is rather novel. The people of the West may know more than the Chinese about the building of railroads, the floating of foreign loans, the combination of capital, the development of resources and the like. All this is granted. But the Chinese naturally feel that they are in a better position to judge what is best for their own interest and welfare than any outsides can be. Therefore, any attempt to impose upon them any form or religion they do not feel the need of, is apt to create trouble. The use of force is especially to be deprecated, as this serves only to inflame their passions and rouse their resentment and opposition. But, on the other hand, much can be accomplished by exercising tact and discretion, and, above all, by giving due consideration to their sentiments and prejudices.

"If the people of the West will study themselves a great deal of trouble. "But does civilization consist of They will find that the Chinese are not trie lights, battleships, rapid firing tricks that are vain,' as they are rep-

guns, magazine rifles and a thousand resented to be by an American poet. is, still exhibits all the strength and test of forty centuries is far from beproper course to be pursued in putting China on the road to prosperity and happiness is not to shake the foundations of her social and political fabries, but to allow her to incorporate such elements of Western civiliza-

> "On the other hand, China must keep up with the times in the onward necessary for her to take lessons from the Western world. But she need not among nations and to the growth of her national life. By adopting from the West only what is best for her welfare and avoiding everything that is not suited to the conditions and needs of her people, she will transform herself into a monern nation without losing these elements of national charstrong in the past."

> Mr. Wu was the guest of honor at the university con, regational dinner at the Quadrangle Club.

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### Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of William M. Bates, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of March, 1901, by W. D. Bush, Judge Probate Court of Saline county, Mo.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims he not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this notice they shall be forever barred.

March 16, 1901, W. R. MULLINS.

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### Order of Publication.

STATE OF MISSOCRE, 88, County of Saline, 188, In the Circuit Court, May term, 1991, In va-cation, March 14, 1991, James Reynolds, Plaintiff,

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James Reynolds, Plaintiff,

Mamie Reynolds, Defendant.

At this day comes the plaintiff berein, by his attorneys, Reynolds & Hayman, and having heretofore flied his petition and affidavit, alleging, among other things, that defendant. Mamie Reynolds, has absented herself from her usual place of abode in this State, so that the Virdinary process of law cannot be served upon her:

Whereupon, it is ordered by the Clerk, in vacation, that said defendant be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against her in this court, the object and general mature of which is to obtain a decree of the Circuit Court divorcing plaintiff from the bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted with the defendant, and that unless the said Mamie Reynolds he and appear at this Court, at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the Court House in the City of Marshall, in said county, on the bits day of Marshall, in said county on the bits day of said term, if the term shall so long continue—and if not, then on or before the last day of said term—answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered, that a copy here of be published, according to law, in the Marshall Republican, a newspaper published in said County of Sailne, for four weeks successively, the hast insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next May term of this court.

A. B. HOY.

Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record.

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Witness my hand and the Seal of of the Circuit Court of Saline (AL.) County, this lath day of March.

1901, A. B. HOY.

Circuit Clerk.

By J. P. LOPTUS, D. C.

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STATE OF MISSOURL, SS.
County of Saline.
In the Circuit Court, May Term, 1991. In vacation, March E. 1991.
James Orr. executor of the last will and testament of James Dayle, deceased, pinintiff.

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A. B. HOY.

Circuit Clerk.

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand and the Seal of SEAL! the Circuit Court of Sailne County, this 3th day of March. 190.

A. B. HOY. Circuit Clerk.

J. P. LOETUS, D. C. 6-tw